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President Taft.

## PRESIDENT TAFT'S FINAL MESSAGE

**President Starts With Discussion  
of Foreign Relations.**

**WORK DONE BY DIPLOMATS.**

**Recognition of Merit System Has Been  
Beneficial — Suggestions Regarding  
Changes in the Tariff Laws Designed  
to Aid Commerce—Turkish War and  
Troubles in China.**

To the Senate and House of Representatives:

The foreign relations of the United States actually and potentially affect the state of the Union to a degree not widely realized and hardly surpassed by any other factor in the welfare of the whole nation. The position of the United States in the moral, intellectual and material relations of the family of nations should be a matter of

vital interest to every patriotic citizen. The national prosperity and power impose upon us duties which we cannot shirk if we are to be true to our ideals.

The tremendous growth of the export trade of the United States has already made that trade a very real factor in the industrial and commercial prosperity of the country. With the development of our industries the foreign commerce of the United States must rapidly become a still more essential factor in its economic welfare.

The relations of the United States with all foreign powers remain upon a sound basis of peace, harmony and friendship. A greater insistence upon justice to American citizens or interests wherever it may have been denied and a stronger emphasis of the need of mutuality in commercial and other relations have only served to strengthen our friendship with foreign countries by placing those friendships upon a firm foundation of realities as well as aspirations.

### Reorganization of State Department.

At the beginning of the present administration the United States, having fully entered upon its position as a world power, with the responsibilities thrust upon it by the results of the Spanish-American war and already engaged in laying the groundwork of a vast foreign trade upon which it should one day become more and more dependent, found itself without the machinery for giving thorough attention to and taking effective action upon a mass of intricate business vital to American interests in every country in the world.

The department of state was an archaic and inadequate machine, lacking most of the attributes of the foreign office of any great modern power. With an appropriation made upon my recommendation by the congress on Aug. 5, 1909, the department of state was completely reorganized. There were created divisions of Latin-American affairs and of far eastern, near

eastern and western European affairs.

The law offices of the department were greatly strengthened. There were added foreign trade advisers to co-operative bureaus and the politico-geographical divisions in the innumerable matters where commercial diplomacy or consular work calls for such special knowledge. The same officers, together with the rest of the new organization, are able at all times to give to American citizens accurate information as to conditions in foreign countries with which they have business and likewise to co-operate more effectively with the congress and also with the other executive departments.

### Merit System in Consular and Diplomatic Corps.

Expert knowledge and professional training must evidently be the essence of this reorganization. Without a trained foreign service there would not be men available for the work in the reorganized department of state. President Cleveland had taken the first step to

ward introducing the merit system in the foreign service. That had been followed by the application of the merit principle, with excellent results to the entire consular branch. Almost nothing, however, had been done in this direction with regard to the diplomatic service. In this age of commercial diplomacy it was evidently of the first importance to train an adequate personnel in that branch of the service.

Therefore, on Nov. 26, 1909, by an executive order I placed the diplomatic service up to the grade of secretary of embassy, inclusive, upon exactly the same strict nonpartisan basis of the merit system, rigid examination for appointment and promotion only for efficiency, as had been maintained without exception in the consular service.

### Merit and Nonpartisan Character of Appointments.

How faithful to the merit system and how nonpartisan has been the conduct of the diplomatic and consular services in the last four years may be judged from the following: Three ambassadors now serving held their present rank at the beginning of my administration. Of the ten ambassadors whom I have appointed five were by promotion from the rank of minister. Nine ministers now serving held their present rank at the beginning of the administration. Of the thirty ministers whom I have appointed, eleven were promoted from the lower grades of the foreign service or from the department of state. Of the nineteen missions in Latin-America, where our relations are close and our interest is great, fifteen chiefs of mission are service men, three having entered the service during this administration.

The thirty-seven secretaries of embassy or legation who have received their initial appointments after passing successfully the required examination were chosen for ascertained fitness, without regard to political affiliations. A dearth of candidates from southern and western states has alone made it impossible thus far completely to equalize all the states' representations in the foreign service. In the effort to equalize the representation of the various states in the consular service I have made sixteen of the twenty-nine new appointments as consul which have occurred during my administration from the southern states. This is 55 per cent. Every other consular appointment made, including the promotion of eleven young men from the consular assistant and student interpreter corps, has been by promotion or transfer, based solely upon efficiency shown in the service.

### Larger Provision For Embassies and Legations Recommended.

In connection with legislation for the amelioration of the foreign service, I wish to invite attention to the advisability of placing the salary appropriations upon a better basis. I believe that the best results would be obtained by a moderate scale of salaries, with adequate funds for the expenses of proper representation, based in each case upon the scale and cost of living at each post, controlled by a system of accounting and under the general direction of the department of state.

In line with the object which I have sought of placing our foreign service on a basis of permanency, I have at various times advocated legislation in congress for the acquisition of government owned buildings for the residence and offices of our diplomatic officers, so as to place them more nearly on an equality with similar officers of other nations and to do away with the discrimination which otherwise must necessarily be made in some cases in favor of men having large private fortunes.

### Diplomacy a Handmaid of Commercial Intercourse and Peace.

The diplomacy of the present administration has sought to respond to modern ideas of commercial intercourse. This policy has been characterized as substituting dollars for bullets. It is one that appeals alike to idealistic humanitarian sentiments, to the dictates of sound policy and strategy and to legitimate commercial aims. It is an effort frankly directed to the increase of American trade upon the axiomatic principle that the government of the United States shall extend all proper support to every legitimate and beneficial American enterprise abroad. How great have been the results of this diplomacy, coupled with the maximum and minimum provision of the tariff law, will be seen by some consideration of the wonderful increase in the export trade of the United States. Because modern diplomacy is commercial there has been a disposition in some quarters to attribute to it none but materialistic aims. How strikingly erroneous is such an impression may be seen from a study of the results by which the diplomacy of the United States can be judged.

Successful Efforts in Promotion of  
Diplomacy

## SPLIT ASUNDER DECLARED VOID BY HIGH COURT

**Great Harriman Merger Held  
To Be Illegal.**

**COMBINE ORDERED DISSOLVED**

**Justice Day of Ohio Announces the  
Unanimous Decision of the Supreme  
Court, Declares the Consolidation  
To Be in Violation of the Sherman  
Anti-Trust Law—Far-Reaching De-  
cision, Say Railway Magnates.**

Washington, Dec. 3.—The great Harriman merger, created when the Union Pacific Railroad company bought 46 per cent of the stock of the Southern Pacific railway system, was split asunder by the supreme court of the United States as a violation of the Sherman anti-trust law.

Then, with the end of the merger before it, the court sent forth its portentous declaration that "while the law may not be able to enforce competition, it can reach combinations which render competition impracticable."

Justice Day of Ohio announced the unanimous opinion of the court. Justice Van Devanter took no part in the consideration of the case, but his principal finding when he was a judge of the Utah circuit court, to the effect that the two roads were not competitors and therefore no violation of the law had resulted from the purchase, was reversed and annulled.

It is the general belief here that the application of the decision to the railroad situation of the country will be widespread, placing a "powerful precedent in the hands of the attorney general to prevent the consolidation of competing roads.

Department of justice officials, however, are not prepared to discuss the full effect of the decision on other railroads. Attorney General Wickes, elated over the outcome, issued a statement in which he simply declared that the case extended the principles of the Northern Securities case and reaffirmed those of the Standard Oil and St. Louis Terminal association cases.

Laporte, Ind., Dec. 3.—Coroner Lewis of Porter county began a thorough investigation of the mystery surrounding the death of Monroe Ludington, the wealthy Canton (O.) lumberman, whose headless body was found lying between the rails near Valparaiso. Ludington is believed to have had several thousand dollars. If he was robbed, it is the theory of the officers that after the deed was committed his body was thrown from the train.

**Oil Prices Advanced.**  
Findlay, O., Dec. 3.—The Ohio Oil company advanced the price of North and South Lima, Illinois light and heavy and Princeton oils each 3 cents per barrel. Wooster oil was advanced 5 cents per barrel.

THOMAS NELSON PAGE

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## THE STATE HAS DECIDED TO BRING SUIT ON ITS CLAIM

**Alleged to Have Illegally Paid  
Interest to Officials.**

**BONDSEN MAY GET OFF LIGHT**

**Coference Held Between Representative of Attorney General's Office and Lawyers Retained by the Prosecution, at Which It Is Decided to Proceed Against Banks First and Treasurers Afterward.**

Columbus, O., Dec. 3.—Unless plans of the state's legal department fail, bondsmen of former state treasurers, who are alleged to have profited by illegal interest from public funds, may

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## Part of 80,000 Turkish Rifles Dropped by Fleeing Soldiers



Photo by American Press Association.

**B**ATTERED into an utter rout, the beaten Turks at Chorlu and at Uskub dropped their guns and shed their outer coats to gain safety in speed. Fully 80,000 rifles were thus collected by the Bulgarians after those battles. They were gathered together in one huge pile and made striking evidence of the spoils of war. The illustration shows a part of the guns under guard, and it is safe to say those two Bulgars were the happiest victors for the moment of the whole army.

## LISTENS TO THE DEBATE ON THE ALL IMPORTANT QUESTION OF THE TARIFF

**Wilson Attends Session of House  
of Bermuda Assembly.**

**WAS INTERESTED SPECTATOR**

**Declares in an Address to the Legis-  
lators That While an Annual Discus-  
sion of Tariff Items Is a Fine Thing,  
It Wouldn't Do In the Glorious  
U. S. A.—President-elect Highly  
Honored.**

Hamilton, Bermuda, Dec. 3.—President-elect Wilson attended the sessions of the house of the assembly and listened intently for two hours to a discussion of the colonial tariff. Sir

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### HEADS CONTRIBUTORS

**Charles Taft's Gift to the Campaign  
Fund \$150,000.**

Washington, Dec. 3.—Charles P. Taft of Cincinnati, brother of the president, led the contributors to the Republican campaign fund with \$150,000, according to the final statement of the Republican national committee, filed with the clerk of the house. The total contributions reached \$904,828. The expenditures were \$900,363 for speakers, salaries, advertising, rent and other purposes, including \$75,000 to the American Association of Foreign Newspapers.

**Fire Attacks Cleveland Hotel.**  
Cleveland, O., Dec. 3.—Fire which originated in a storage room in the basement of the Euclid hotel resulted in several thousand dollars' worth of damage from smoke and water. There was considerable excitement among guests and crowds on the streets near by.

ADAM H. DICKEY

**One of the Big Leaders in  
the Christian Science Church.**



## MAKES ATTACK ON THE TRUST

**Minnesota Solon Displeased With  
Delay of Pujo Committee.**

Washington, Dec. 3.—Representative Lindbergh of Minnesota has returned to the attack on the money trust. Mr. Lindbergh introduced the original money trust resolution and is very much dissatisfied with the delay of the Pujo committee in getting down to business, so Mr. Lindbergh introduced a resolution in the house prodding the money trust committee.

After making many charges against the "money trust" the resolution directs the Pujo committee to proceed "without delay to secure all practical information and data that may be reasonably had in regard to the influence exercised by the money trust in control of banks and of money and credits," and "to make reports to the house from time to time with reasonable promptness."

Chairman Pujo of the money trust committee was indignant when his attention was directed to the Lindbergh resolution. He denied the implication contained in the measure that the inquiry had been unnecessarily delayed.

Read the Want advertisements.

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# NEW LIGHT PROPOSAL AND FIRE PROTECTION DISCUSSED BY COUNCIL

More New Hose Will Be Purchased Immediately and New Light Contract Is Recommended.

## WATER COMPANY FAILS TO LIVE UP TO PROMISES

Ordinance to Purchase "Bottom" Lands for Cemetery Meets With Opposition, and is Tied Up Until Next Meeting--Its Passage Means Creek Bottom Lands for Cemetery at Cost of Approximately \$8,400.

All members were present at the regular session of Council Monday night. Few visitors were in attendance.

The ordinance to purchase the creek "bottom" field for cemetery purposes was placed on its second reading, Durant, Sheets and Rothrock voting no, and when an attempt was made to suspend the rules and place it on its third reading, the motion failed when Durant, Rothrock and Sheets again voted no.

The ordinance in question has been read twice, and its final reading will probably come up at the next session. The blanks in the ordinance have not yet been filled in.

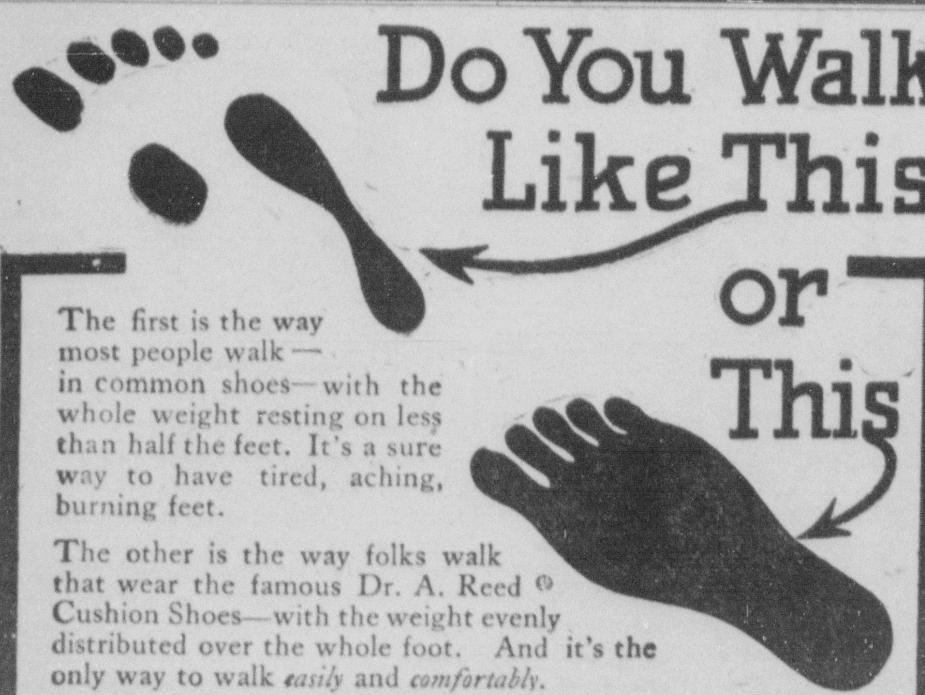
The passage of the ordinance means the purchase of the Taylor land east of the cemetery, some 28 acres, at \$300 per acre, or a total of about \$8,400, and as the citizens have begun to realize the nature of the action, and that a large portion of the proposed cemetery addition is nothing but creek bottom, part of it becomes inundated during high waters, considerable opposition has developed.

Hon. C. A. Reid presented a petition signed by a large number of residents of the Tracey addition and Henkle addition, asking that council take action to appropriate grounds for Oak street, which has been tied up for some time because the D. T. & I. would not lay a crossing until the street was ordered opened by the city council and the right of way condemned.

As a part of the grounds belong to the Misses Gardner, a committee consisting of Rothrock, Durant and Sheets was appointed to confer with them.

Clerk Flynn then read a special report from the cemetery trustees relating to the condition of the financial affairs of the trustees, and the report was accepted and placed on file.

Auditor Pine's monthly report was read and accepted. It showed a balance the last report, of \$9209.96. Receipts since then amounted to \$1236.36, expenditures \$4241.69 and a balance of \$6,214.63.



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### Greenfield Dry By 73 Majority

Greenfield voted dry again under the Beal law Monday, the wets going down to defeat by 73 votes.

This is the third time within the past seven years that Greenfield has been voted dry, three years ago the dry majority being 30 or less than half of the majority rolled up Monday.

It was an interesting day in Greenfield. The wets had an abundance of money, and the drys were determined that the town should remain in the dry column and worked hard to that end.

The result was not a surprise, as it was generally conceded that the enterprising town would remain in the dry column by an increased majority over that of three years ago.

### Night Watchman Reports Findings

John Haggard, merchants' policeman, who patrols the business district during the night hours, reports that during the month just past he found eight doors unlocked in the business district.

The business men who had forgotten to safeguard their property by locking the door were called each time and soon had the door securely locked.

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Don't forget to give an order for mackerel one day this week. They are exceptionally fine for breakfast these cool mornings. A new 10c barrel just opened. 3 for 25c

We intend to give our customers the benefit of a little reduction on honey this week. We want more of them to realize what fine honey we carry in stock. It is packed in air-tight cartons of about one pound each. The regular price is 25c per lb. Special this week at 22c

We also carry Strained Honey in jars at 10c, 15c and 25c each. Special this week:

10c Jars 9c; three for 25c.  
15c Jars 13c; 2 for 25c.  
25c Jars 22c.

Don't forget special price on Cut Star Sugar and Creams 25c per set

### Three Desperadoes Open

### Fire Upon Dr. Hazzard

Dr. C. C. Hazzard faced death in a most unexpected manner Sunday night late while making a professional call on the Prairie pike some 9 miles north of town, when three unknown men in a buggy fired three shots at him while near the home of Clell Allen, where Dr. Hazzard was to make a call.

Driving on to the Allen residence a short distance away he stopped, and was immediately informed by Mr. Allen that the men had fired three shots at him just after he had passed.

None of the shots took effect, and who the men were has not been learned, but if their identity is discovered they may face a charge of shooting with intent to kill.

Dr. Hazzard was in his automobile and the men were in a buggy ahead of him, and after keeping him behind them for some time, they pulled over

made arrangements with a farmer near Bloomingburg and escaped a trip to the works.

#### "THE SHEPHERD OF THE HILLS."

The most popular American novel, "The Shepherd of the Hills" has been made into a play by its author, Harold Bell Wright, with the assistance of Elsberry W. Reynolds and Lem B. Parker. This will be good news to the millions of Mr. Wright's admirers. For every one who has read this popular story will be glad to see "Sammy Lane," "Preachin' Bill," "Young Matt," "Dad Howitt" and all the people of the "Mutton Hollow" take life and appear behind the footlights.

"The Shepherd of the Hills" will have its local premiere at the Empire theater on Wednesday, Dec. 4. Council had been driven from Greenfield by the authorities at that place, and had taken up his abode near the stove factory here. He informed Mayor Smith that he had never been arrested before, but his attention was quickly called to his past record in Greenfield.

Council was given until 4 o'clock Monday afternoon to raise the fine, or go to the Xenia workhouse. He was remanded back to the city lock-up, and as he owns a horse and wagon on his chances of paying are good.

Mitchell is from Bloomingburg, and had stubbed his toe on some bootleg whiskey and was becoming too hilarious when arrested. He

#### I. O. R. M.

Regular meeting Wednesday eve, December 4th, 7:30 sharp. Election of officers for the ensuing term. All brothers requested to be present. All past sachems are earnestly requested to be present to cast their ballot for great chiefs.

HARRY HETTINGER, Sachem.  
R. M. ELLIOTT, C. of R.

## IN SOCIAL CIRCLES

A number of old friends received cards announcing the marriage of Miss Marjorie Ogle, youngest daughter of the late Alfred M. Ogle, of Indianapolis, and niece of the Misses Brightle and Florence Ogle, to Mr. Geo. Everett Home, of Ouray, Colo. The marriage took place on Saturday morning at 11 o'clock at the home of the bride's brother, Mr. Alfred Ogle, on S. Sixth street, Terre Haute, Ind.

The ceremony was pronounced by the Rev. Dr. Brown, of St. Paul's Cathedral, Indianapolis, in the presence of the immediate families and a few intimate friends. A special car brought the friends from Indianapolis.

Following the ceremony a wedding breakfast was served.

## PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Miss Zelma Leath has returned from a visit in Ross county.

Mr. C. A. Kelley was a business visitor in Hillsboro yesterday.

Mrs. Durnell, of Hillsboro, is visiting her niece, Mrs. H. T. Wilkin.

Miss Gladys Locke returned Monday to Columbus after a visit with friends here.

Freddie Hillery returned to school at Dayton today after spending Sunday at home.

Miss Louise Skinner, of Greenfield, is visiting her cousin, Miss Mariellen Wigginton.

Mrs. M. J. Strope returned yesterday for Columbus, where she visited her sister, Mrs. L. A. Brown.

Miss Mabel Briggs returned Monday to Cincinnati to resume her studies at the Conservatory.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Snyder leave this evening for Miami, Fla., where they expect to spend the winter.

Misses Mary Weyer and Lucile Jefferson, of Bloomingburg, are the guests of Mrs. Frank Hays today.

Mr. John Blade is moving his family into the residence on Yeoman street, recently purchased from the Ireland estate.

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Teach ShorthandPortsmouth Party  
Strike Phone Pole

Beginning with the second Tuesday of January a course in stenography will be added to the Y. M. C. A. night school. There will be 20 lessons in this course, of two hours each, and the class will meet two nights each week.

The Gregg system of shorthand will be taught, and will be under the direction of Prof. Coulter of the High school faculty.

All are assured of the best that can be given and by a little hard work the student can master the system in the ten weeks.

This course is open to ladies and it is hoped that many will take advantage of it.

Further particulars may be secured by calling General Secretary Zaner at the Y. M. C. A.

## Snead Acquitted

Special to Herald.

Fort Worth, Texas, Dec. 3rd.—The jury in the case of the Commonwealth vs. J. B. Snead, under indictment for first degree murder on account of the shooting of Captain Al G. Boice, whom he charged with alienating his wife's affections, returned a verdict of not guilty this afternoon.

Mystery Surrounds  
Heavy Explosion

Citizens residing in New Holland, Williamsport, Clarksburg, Atlanta, Waterloo and other small towns surrounding Williamsport are still at a loss how to account for a terrific explosion which occurred somewhere in the neighborhood Saturday night about seven o'clock, and which shook the windows in the various villages and caused no little excitement.

Many people were of the belief that the dynamiters who visited Williamsport last May had returned and finished work planned on their visit here.

Where the explosion occurred is still a mystery, but it is supposed to have been in the neighborhood of Williamsport.

Third Lecture  
Of Passion Play

Another audience that filled Grace church from the gallery to the Sunday school room listened with absorbed interest to the third of the Passion Play lectures, delivered by Rev. Frederick E. Ross, Sunday night.

The special theme was the Passion Play, "Judas and the Christ". Rev. Ross in his opening sentences called attention to the length of the play, eight hours, during which time interest never wanes.

It is the only play in the world where attention is so held. The high characters of the players are so wonderful that the vast audience sits enthralled by the scenes enacted; scenes of the supreme tragedy of the ages acted by a simple minded people for the redemption of the world.

There are many who go reluctantly to the little village in the Bavarian mountains; ministers before seeing it have even spoken against it but every eye witness is disarmed by the wondrous drama.

With vivid word pictures, Rev. Ross depicted the scene of the betrayal and the awful scene of the crucifixion and death of the Christ.

The character of Judas gives scope for acting of a very high order. The part is played by a humble painter, Jos. Swinke, who has had fabulous offers from theatrical managers all over the world, but who goes back to his humble toil as soon as the Passion Play ends.

The last supper scene is based upon Leonardo Di Vinci's famous picture, and is so impressive that no language can describe it.

To many the most notable acting of the play is Antoine Lang's impersonation of the Christ. A potter by trade, six feet high, with a face of the Raphael type, the peasant's interpretation shows amazing spiritual grasp and dramatic ability. The Gethsemane scene is powerful and the scene of the tragedy of the cross the climax of the play.

The strain under these scenes is so great that the Christus is, after them, often unconscious for an hour or even longer.

Next Sunday night, Rev. Ross will complete his series of lectures, taking as his subject, "The Passion Play; Its Meaning for Our Times."

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Adv.

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## PEACE NEAR AT HAND.

Everything now indicates that the war in the Balkans will be brought to a close within a short time. The victorious Bulgarians have generously receded from their first announced terms.

The proposals for a permanent peace offered by the Bulgarians which have now been conditionally accepted by the humbled Turks and thus form the basis for the protocol are not nearly so harsh in demands as the first demands.

The army of the Sultan is in a bad way, baffled at every advance and turned back, driven in wild disorder by the unconquerable army of the allies, the Turks fighting desperately in the last ditch before Constantinople have been attacked by cholera. With an utter absence of facilities to curb the spread of the disease, or to house and care for the afflicted soldiers the fatalities in the ranks of the Ottoman army have been frightful.

Indeed, beset from within and without, fighting the legions of the allies and attacked by the most contagious and fatal disease known to the Orientals except perhaps only the Bubonic Plague, the day of reckoning for the terrible Turks in Europe seems to have arrived.

Turkey has long been arrogant in her position which, owing to the jealousies existing among the powers, she has been able to hold, defy other nations and thus escape being called to account and given the trouncing the nation so richly merited.

Turkey has committed atrocities, vicious beyond words to describe. Christian men, women and children have been butchered in cold blood, Christian nations have been insulted and their people subjected to all sorts of indignities, and Turkey escaped for years being called to account, simply because the great powers would not permit her chastisement.

It remained for the minor Balkan states to combine and call for a final cessation of Turkish aggressions.

The war has been a terrific slaughter. The Turks have been humbled and have suffered terribly.

The Christian world has forgiven and forgotten the wrongs which Turkey committed and now sympathizes with the human beings who suffer and has set to work to stop the fighting, bind up the wounds of the soldiers who still live, care for the afflicted and feed the hungry.

Turkey has paid an awful price and it is good that the Powers have succeeded in making progress toward checking the exaction of toll.

## Cease Giving Hypocritical Christmas Gifts



By Mrs. AUGUST BELMONT,  
President of the Spug Club,  
a Society For the Prevention of Useless Giving



Photo by American Press Association.

**H**RE you a giver of Christmas gifts? If you are do you give them in the true spirit of generosity or in the hope that you may GET PRESENTS OR FAVORS IN RETURN? If that is the way you have been offering holiday remembrances you should rebel against this HYPOCRISY.

The nonsensical idea of giving a Christmas gift that is not offered with the WHOLE HEART must be discontinued. This should be especially true where the working girl is concerned. She should PUT HER FOOT DOWN on all the usual Christmas time schemes for raising money with which to buy gifts for those "higher up."

If you are a working girl and in the future a shop or store collector should approach you for the customary Christmas donation for the foreman, floorwalker or other official rebuff the collector with the rejoinder, "I DON'T BELIEVE IN GIVING USELESS CHRISTMAS PRESENTS."

THE EVIL HAS BEEN GROWING WITH EACH SUCCEEDING CHRISTMAS UNTIL THE POOR WORKING GIRLS—YES, THE BOYS AND MEN ALSO, WHO CAN ILL AFFORD IT—ARE TAXED SOMETIMES AS MUCH AS A WEEK'S SALARY FOR USELESS GIFTS TO THEIR "BOSSES," WHICH ARE GIVEN AS A MATTER OF COURSE AND NOT THROUGH ANY SENTIMENT. SUBORDINATES SHOULD NOT BE FORCED TO CONTRIBUTE THIS BIT OF PETTY GRAFT IN ORDER TO REMAIN IN THE GOOD GRACES OF THEIR SUPERIORS.

Even among friends the evil of giving Christmas gifts is being OVERDONE TO AN ALARMING DEGREE. It seems as though we endeavor to give the most useless gifts possible only to find that some one else has discovered something more useless to send us in return. "Give to receive" seems to be THE FALSE MOTTO of most of us.

## Poetry For Today

## DECISION AGAINST EDISON

Court Holds He Did Not Invent Moving Picture Film.

Washington, Dec. 3.—That Thomas A. Edison was not the inventor of the moving picture film was the decision of the District of Columbia court of appeals, which dismissed the suit of the Motion Pictures Patent company of New York against the Chicago Film company. The Edison firm charged that the Chicago company infringed on its picture film patents.

The court held that, as Edison was not the originator of the film strings used in the "movies," his company did not have patent rights. Millions of dollars were involved in the litigation.

## LO! THE POOR DOG.

Lo! the poor dog, whose faithful heart Once beat beneath his master's cart.

Through many a happy year of grace He trotted in that cherished place.

The bright affection in his eyes Attested to his Paradise.

The master whistled on the seat, And the dog's career was very sweet.

They two, inseparable still, Went up the road that climbed the hill.

Through many a soft and fragrant vale The happy canine wagged his tail.

Ah! those were happy days, indeed, Behind the heavy plodding steed.

Little the happy dog could ween Of what would come of gasoline!

The lamentations sad and hoarse For being distanced on the course.

The sweet companionship of years Dissolved in threnodies and tears.

The cruel tooting of the horn, And the master's getaway at morn.

Lo! the poor dog, whose faithful heart Once beat beneath his master's cart — St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

## Weather Report

Washington, Dec. 3.—Ohio and Indiana—Fair Tuesday and probably Wednesday; light to moderate variable winds.

West Virginia—Fair and colder Tuesday; Wednesday fair.

Lower Michigan—Increasing cloudiness Tuesday, probably followed by snow flurries Tuesday night or Wednesday; moderate winds, mostly south.

Illinois—Fair Tuesday, somewhat warmer; Wednesday unsettled; moderate south winds.

Kentucky and Tennessee—Fair Tuesday and probably Wednesday.

## WEATHER OBSERVATIONS.

Observations of the United States weather bureau, taken at 8 p. m. Monday:

Temp. Weather.  
Columbus ..... 41 Cloudy  
New York ..... 58 Rain  
Albany ..... 54 Clear  
Atlantic City ..... 54 Rain  
Boston ..... 58 Rain  
Buffalo ..... 42 Cloudy  
Chicago ..... 32 Cloudy  
St. Louis ..... 38 Clear  
New Orleans ..... 66 Cloudy  
Washington ..... 58 Clear  
Philadelphia ..... 60 Rain

Weather Forecast.  
Washington, Dec. 3.—Indications for tomorrow:

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## State Has Decided To Bring Suit

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escape payment of a large part of the amounts for which the supreme court recently held they were liable, because the state will sue the banks which paid the illegal interest.

Only the former treasurers and their bondsmen were at first made defendants in the suits bought to recover hundreds of thousands of dollars which had been obtained in illegal interest, but later the banks were sued by the state for whatever money they paid on public funds. As a result of a conference held between Special Counsel Frank Davis, Jr., of the attorney general's office and Attorneys Henry J. Booth and Robert W. McCoy, who were retained by the state to assist in the prosecution, it was decided to proceed against the banks first and the treasurers afterward.

The banks' liability is said to be settled, and an effort is to be made to ascertain what sums can be recovered from them. The first to be tried is that against the Columbus Savings and Trust company, which has been set for hearing next Monday. A commissioner will be appointed to take the testimony which examiners have been gathering since the institution has been in process of liquidation by the state banking department. Following this the case against the Cincinnati Trust company will be tried, as its books are available also.

It is expected that little trouble will be had in securing evidence of the illegal loans, as heads of the banks which are known to have received the illegal deposits will be called to testify. Trustees then will be called upon to pay the difference between the amount for which the banks make reparation and the amount of interest on state money loaned by former officials.

### Gas Well a Gusher.

Painesville, O., Dec. 3.—The gas well which was struck on the P. M. Hitchcock farm, south of Mentor, has proven to be a gusher. In the first 24 hours the well registered 1,000,000 cubic feet of gas. The well was down 3,000 feet.

### Owes City \$1,000,000.

Findlay, O., Dec. 3.—According to a statement made to the city council by County Treasurer Frey, Hancock county owes this city more than \$1,000,000, which has been collected for road repair and spent on county roads.

### OHIO REPUBLICANS TO MEET

Conference at White House Tonight on Reorganization of Party.

Washington, Dec. 3.—Invitations have been issued for a conference at the White House tonight on the reorganization of the Republican party in Ohio. Senator Burton, State Chairman Daugherty, Secretary Hilles, United States Treasurer Carm Thompson, Assistant Secretary of the Interior L. C. Laylin and Representatives Taylor, Longworth, Howland, Willis and Switzer were asked to attend.

### DRIVES OFF A TERROR.

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## Listens To The Debate

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Thomas Wadson, the speaker, invited him to come behind the bar, where Mr. Wilson took a copy of the "estimate of the annual tariff receipts" and followed the items closely.

At the close of the session Sir Thomas Wadson extended greetings to the president-elect, saying that he hopes that after his term had closed Mr. Wilson would come again to Bermuda. All the members were standing and the speaker was frequently interrupted by cries of "hear, hear."

Mr. Wilson replied as follows:

"I had hoped that I might forget that I am able to make a speech while in Bermuda, but I can not refrain from expressing my extreme pleasure for the courtesy extended to me and my great interest in this city. I was just wondering what would happen in the United States if every year we went over the tariff items. It would be a continuous performance which would exceed all that theaters could offer in the way of amusement. Yet I can not help thinking that the idea is admirable, because it gives the house of the assembly an opportunity to review the changing conditions."

"One member said he was sorry for so dull a sitting. I do not consider it so. I have been a student of parliamentary procedure all my life and I admire your businesslike method of going through items. I begin to feel that Bermuda is one of my homes, and it is all the more delightful to be received in this manner."

Mr. Wilson said afterwards that an annual tariff discussion is fine thing, but it is impracticable in America. After leaving the house of assembly Mr. Wilson went to Hoyl's drug store by request of the proprietor and sat in the armchair, the same that Presidents Hayes and Cleveland once sat in. He then registered at the consulate and inspected some war pictures. Commenting thereon he said: "War is rude. It quite upsets a nation. It is made of several weeks of war and months of conversation."

### JURY IN A NEW ROLE

Take Pity on Crippled Prisoner and Pay His Way Home.

White Plains, N. Y., Dec. 3.—The supreme court grand jury assumed a new role when they dismissed the indictment against a prisoner arrested for carrying a revolver at Mt. Vernon and took up a collection among themselves to buy a railroad ticket from New York to Grand Rapids, Mich., for the man because he was a cripple.

The man was Joseph Vanderstool, a wood turner, who had lost the greater part of the fingers of both hands at his trade. He had come east on freight trains and because of his crippled hands he carried a revolver to protect himself. He was arrested after being in Mt. Vernon two hours and was held for the grand jury. Vanderstool wanted to go home and the jurors took pity and granted his wish.

Triple Alliance Renewed. Berlin, Dec. 3.—The triple alliance—the coalition of Germany, Austria and Italy—was renewed for a period of three years. The statement was regarded as especially significant in the light of disturbed conditions growing out of the Balkan war. The triple entente—the alliance of England, France and Russia—still is in effect.

### Suffragets Use Paint.

Dublin, Dec. 3.—The suffragets over night painted 30 front doors of residences in the best part of the city with large white letters which read: "Votes For Women."

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## OHIO HAPPENINGS

Third Titanic Baby a Girl.

Cleveland, O., Dec. 3.—A telegram of congratulation from Mrs. John Jacob Astor was received by Mrs. Adele Nasrallah, an humble member of the local Syrian colony, who was widowed by the Titanic disaster and who has just become a mother. Hers is the third "Titanic" baby, the second being the child born to Mrs. Lucien P. Smith of Cincinnati, Friday. The third "Titanic" baby is a girl.

Brother-in-Law Shot.

Fostoria, O., Dec. 3.—Clarence Waldrup was bound over to the grand jury and lodged in jail at Findlay in default of bail on a charge of shooting with intent to kill Timothy Zimmerman, brother of his bride, to whom he was married Nov. 24. Zimmerman, it is charged, objected to the match. Zimmerman was shot in the neck.

**Lost Recovered: Burglar Escapes.**  
Columbus, O., Dec. 3.—All the loot taken in the Newman burglary has been recovered by the police from a room at the Chittenden hotel, where the youthful robber who, Sunday, committed four house-breaking jobs and three burglaries, was registered under the name of George McDonald, Winnipeg, Manitoba. McDonald escaped.

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### White Slavery Charged.

Cleveland, O., Dec. 3.—John Cerko, 40, of Canton, was arraigned before United States Commissioner Daoust here and held under \$1,500 bond to answer a charge of bringing Giovanna Lupa into the United States for immoral purposes. Federal officials charge he has a wife and child in Hungary.

### Plant Damaged by Explosion.

Newark, O., Dec. 3.—An explosion caused by the falling of a melting cupola bottom into a pit containing water here wrecked windows throughout the Wehrle stove factory and damaged the plant so seriously that 150 men will be idle for several days.

### Brother-in-Law Shot.

Delaware, O., Dec. 3.—The rupturing of a small blood vessel in his brain 10 days ago caused the death of Dr. Joseph McCann, father of Dr. Joseph McCann of Columbus. Dr. McCann was past 88 year of age and a retired practitioner.

### Found Standing After Death.

Canton, O., Dec. 3.—William Resh, a wealthy farmer living near Beach City, was found dead standing in the pantry of his kitchen by neighbors who had missed him and were investigating. Resh is thought to have died Friday night. Death was caused by apoplexy, according to the coroner.

### Commissions Held Up.

Steubenville, O., Dec. 3.—The investigation into charges of wholesale bribery, during the campaign preceding the last November election in Jefferson county, was commenced here by a special grand jury. Public Prosecutor J. S. Paisley had the assistance of Joseph P. McGee and P. E. Dempsey from the office of Attorney General Hogan in Columbus. It was announced that the commissions of all candidates elected at the last election would be withheld.

### BURNED OUT A BLOCK

Five Boys Wanted to See the Fire Department Turn Out.

New York, Dec. 3.—Five badly scared small boys, the oldest of them 14 years, sat in the office of Chief of Police Hayes in Hoboken and confessed that they started the fire that burned out a whole city block and did \$300,000 damage last Saturday. They wanted to see the engines go out.

The boys will be arraigned before Recorder McGovern charged with arson. They are Francis Deady, 12; his brother Stephen, 9; Stephen O'Connell, 14; Charles Johnson, 11, and Richard Carney, 11.

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# MANY SUITS FILED IN COMMON PLEAS COURT

Woman Asks Divorce From Man Whom She Alleges Struck Her Repeatedly---Judgments Taken on Cognovit Notes---Case Is Carried Up From Lower Court.

Monday was one of the most busy days experienced in the Clerk of Courts office for many a day, and quite a number of new cases were filed.

One of the most interesting suits filed was that of Clara Belle Smith who brought action against Jacob M. Smith in which she asked for a divorce and alimony, and asked that he be restrained from selling certain real estate and personal property. The restraining order was granted.

The plaintiff alleges that during the past four or five years the defendant has used vile and profane language directed toward the plaintiff, and upon several occasions he assaulted and struck and otherwise abused her, and that upon other occasions he threatened to strike her, and made sensational accusations against her, which were wholly false, and that he had failed to provide her with clothing. Plaintiff also charges the defendant with having been addicted to the use of intoxicating liquors for several years.

Mrs. Smith says her husband owns 44 acres of land in Jasper township, and considerable personal property, and it was to prevent him disposing of the property that the restraining order was issued. Gregg & Gregg are the plaintiff's attorneys.

The Farmers' Bank of Jeffersonville against John R. Young and Silas Peterson is the style of a suit for recovery of \$124.46 due plaintiff on promissory note, in which judgment for \$118.55 was taken.

Another promissory note which was not paid was cause for suit filed by P. F. Campbell against E. Toops

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## DEWEES' STUDIO

and Thomas Toops. Judgment for \$151.73 was taken.

Still another cognovit note case is that of P. F. Campbell against Thos. Toops, and judgment for \$506.19 was taken.

H. M. Campbell also brought action for payment of a note for \$154.45, making E. Toops the defendant. Judgment in the sum of \$159.85 was taken.

Simeon R. Shiplet et al. brought action against Mary E. Coy and Effie Shiplet for partition of some 28 acres of land, the estate of the late Hester Ann Shiplet. He asks that one-fourth part of the estate be set off to him.

A case appealed from Justice Craig's court was that of James C. Merritt and Tine Merritt vs. Chalmer Johnson, in which judgment for the sum of \$17.10 in favor of the plaintiffs was returned on November 8th.

### M'GRAW AS A MAGNATE

Little Manager Likely To Be Made President of New York Club.

New York, Dec. 3.—John McGraw may be a real baseball magnate before the season of 1913 opens. It was reported that McGraw, in addition to his duties as manager of the Giants, is likely to be elected president of the New York club to succeed the late John T. Brush.

It is known that before Mr. Brush died he so arranged matters that McGraw would remain in charge of the Giants for a long term, perhaps for life. Furthermore, as a reward for McGraw's loyalty and the many successes he has scored on the ball field, Mr. Brush, it is said, expressed a wish that the little manager should be consulted on all matters pertaining to baseball politics. In view of these things, McGraw's friends believe that Messrs. Hempstead, vice president of the club, and R. H. McCutcheon, treasurer, supported by Mrs. Brush, will ask McGraw to accept the presidency.

### BRIDEGRoOM MISSING

Chorus Girl Wife of Raymond Belmont Mourns Her Loss.

New York, Dec. 3.—Mrs. Ethel Loral Belmont, the chorus girl bride of Raymond Belmont, was in her apartments at the Hotel Goshford, when she said to a reporter: "Raymond is gone. He left last Thursday with his brother Morgan, and I have received no news of him since." Mrs. Belmont's eyes were red from weeping, her cheeks pale, and her hair disarranged. She plainly was in deep distress. She denied that she had received an offer of \$50,000 from August Belmont to consent to an annulment of the marriage. "I don't want money," she said. "I want Raymond."

### Would Free the Woman.

Lisbon, O., Dec. 3.—Trial of John Coburn, 21, and Mrs. Mary Burrows, 25, for the murder of Richmond Burrows, a contractor, at East Liverpool on Sept. 2, was begun here. After a conference of attorneys, the defense offered to have Coburn plead guilty if the state would dismiss the charge against Mrs. Burrows. The state refused.

### Four Defendants Discharged.

Indianapolis, Dec. 3.—Defendants William K. Benson of Detroit, John B. Carroll of Syracuse, S. P. Meadows of Indianapolis and M. H. Davis of Philadelphia, were discharged on motion of District Attorney Miller in the dynamite conspiracy trial.

### MARR SURRENDERS

Alleged Active Agent of Anglo-American Authors' Association.

New York, Dec. 3.—Following the example of most of the other 10 men who have been indicted with James J. Farmer and his son, Glenn Farmer, for participation in the alleged \$5,000,000 book swindle, Edward J. Marr of this city surrendered himself to the federal authorities and was held in \$2,500 bail by United States Commissioner Shields.

Marr, according to the postoffice inspectors, is supposed to have been one of the most energetic agents of the Anglo-American Authors' association and to have turned in a number of large sales, many of them not even mentioned in the indictment.

In the meantime the alleged swindle, according to the federal authorities, is assuming unbelievable magnitude. Postoffice Inspector Swain rested its case in the trial of Senator George K. Cetone, who is charged with bribery, with the introduction of the dictograph evidence by Stenographer Walcutt. The defense then placed 16 character witnesses from Dayton on the stand, who gave the felon a good reputation. Court records of Detective Smiley's connection with the Marie Deffenbach case in Chicago were introduced.

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Pensions For Ex-Presidents.

Washington, Dec. 3.—Pensions for ex-presidents, their widows and orphans, are provided in a bill introduced by Representative De Forest of New York. The bill proposes to authorize pensions for ex-presidents at \$2,000 a month, for their widows at \$1,000 a month and for all minor children in case the parents are dead at \$200 a month. Mr. De Forest also introduced a resolution under which the tenure of the president would be limited to a single term of six years.

Dix Opposed to Capital Punishment.

New York, Dec. 3.—Governor Dix stated he was unequivocally opposed to capital punishment. He made it very clear that it was not the case of Albert T. Patrick that had led him to this conviction. He said: "I have been opposed for years to the system of capital punishment. It is my idea that the state should establish a small prison, completely isolated, for the imprisonment of criminals sentenced for crimes for which the present penalty is death."

Gov. Dix Unanimous.

Greenville, O., Dec. 3.—For the third time within the last six years this village voted dry under the Beal law. The drys won by a majority of 73. Two years ago the dry majority was 30.

Canaries.

Canaries are instinctively the most cleanly of all pets. They never drink from their bathing tub if provided with a filled drinking cup and unless they have been frightened by chilled or too cold water will bathe every day. —Woman's Home Companion.

Sea of Galilee.

The sea of Galilee, which is 800 feet below the level of the Mediterranean, is fast becoming like the Dead sea, with dense water and salt formations on its banks. It is conjectured that the bed of the sea is sinking and that greater changes in it are impending.

One Thing They Took.

"Burglars break into our house last night."

"That so? Did they get anything?"

"Nothing except my husband's nerve."

### W. R. C. Plan For Christmas Cheer

At this time of year the spirit of Christmas is made manifest everywhere, by the busy merchant attractively displaying his goods for the holidays, by the early shoppers buying gifts for friends and loved ones. Anticipation is on the face of the little folks, who are writing letters to dear old Santa, for some coveted toy. Quite a busy scene was enacted at the last regular meeting of the W. R. C. No. 12, making arrangements to send their Xmas donations to the Several Homes to help make brighter, the blessed Christmas time of those who have no home, other than an institution.

The O. S. & S. O. Home at Xenia comes in for a goodly donation as there are over seven hundred children and the Woman's Relief Corps from all over the state send contributions so that each little one receives a gift. The O. S. & S. Home at Sandusky is also remembered, as the old veterans are deserving, and have come to look upon the W. R. C. as friends who add to their pleasure and comfort by contributions of money, knit comforters, fruit, jellies etc.

Then there are the dear old ladies at the Madison Home, soldiers' widows, whose shady side of life is brightened and made happier by W. R. C. remembrances.

Arrangements were also made for sending baskets to soldiers' widows and families here.

The order here sends out some 20 to 25 well-filled baskets every year, so that a number of families enjoy good Christmas dinners.

The Good Master has said: "In as much as ye have done it unto one of the least of these, ye have done it unto Me."

PRESS COR.

FOREIGN MISSIONARY MEETING.

The December meeting of W. F. M. S. will be held at the parsonage, Wednesday, December 4 at 2 p. m. Hostesses, Mesdames Ross, Rodecker, Chaney, Glascock and Cockerill.

SECY.

TISSUE PAPER FOR CHRISTMAS.

The best imported white tissue paper, also Xmas. red and Xmas. green at 10c per dozen now on sale at Roeder's News Stand.

On Friday, Dec. 6, in Grace M. E. The ladies of the Ladies' Aid, you see Will offer to you at two p. m. Wearing apparel not used by men. Some work will be fancy, embroidered and laced. Others hemstitched, lockstitched and faced.

All work from the factory direct is received.

From the middle-man's profit, you are relieved;

We'll be able to suit every clan or clique,

And at prices to make you take them quick.

Aprons! yes they'll be there for sale, All colors, all styles, both strong and frail;

Suitable for serving society and teas, Scrubbing, cooking and sewing-bees. Light colors, dark colors, in fact, every hue,

Suitable for sister, mother and grandmama, too.

The sale goes on, 5 p. m. is here, The turkey supper is ready in the dining room so near,

To which you will go your quarter to spend,

And to which all are welcome, "even the men";

There'll be dressing and gravy, jelly and slaw,

Brown bread and baked beans without a flaw;

Ice cream will be served of No. 1 make

And a goodly supply of elegant cake.

286 4t

### I. O. O. F.

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#### Upright Piano

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'The most popular American Book made into the most popular American Play.'

Prices 25c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00

## Palace Theater

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By request we are holding the White Slave show one more night. This show will not offend the most fastidious, but will please and enlighten you.

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PATHE WESTERN STORY

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Essany—A Little Louder, Please!—Essany  
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## PARRETT'S GROCERY

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THE HOME OF QUALITY FOR 25 YEARS

We have a special soap deal this week, and until further notice—

5 bars Galvanic Laundry Soap, 25c.

1 bar Palm Olive Toilet Soap, Free.

The Palm Olive is a high grade Toilet Soap, which sells for 10c.

The Galvanic Laundry Soap is one of the best.

Our patrons should duplicate this order many times while this deal is on.

Our Premier Oak Flakes came in today—new goods, nothing better packed. Price 10c.

Extra fancy Florida Grape Fruit, 5c, 7c and 10c each.

Tomorrow morning we expect fresh Green Onions, round and long Red Radishes, Head Lettuce, Curly Lettuce, Endive, Kale and Spinach.

Plenty of Frying or Roasting Chickens at 14c pound.

Alleged Gamblers  
Are Bound Over

I. C. Rhoades appeared before Mayor Smith on behalf of the seven men who were arrested in the rooms over the Rhoades pool room Saturday night, and entered a plea of not guilty to the charges made in the affidavit, and each of the seven men were bound over to the grand jury on a charge of gambling, under \$50 bond.

Mr. Rhoades, according to Mayor Smith, claimed that he was not the proprietor of the place, and that it belonged to his son.

Mr. Rhoades signed the bond, and his son and another surety were to appear some time Tuesday and sign the bond also.

## MISSIONARY CIRCLE.

The Woman's Missionary Circle of First Baptist church will meet with Mrs. Annie Hays Wednesday afternoon 2:30. All the ladies of the church and congregation are cordially invited.

SEC.

Fresh goods at advertisers.

ASTOR HOUSE  
COFFEE

Is without a doubt the finest drinking coffee on the market today. It is a trifle higher in price than most coffees on sale now, but it is worth the difference because you can get more cups of really good coffee from a pound of Astor House than any other so-called high grade coffee. By mistake the price of this coffee has been wrongly quoted. The correct price is

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## Twenty-Cent Chocolates

In our new line of twenty cent Chocolate candies we can give you the kind of Chocolates you like best at a price you can afford to pay. Mint, Orange, Coffee, Strawberry, Wintergreen, Nut Tops of all kinds, Nougat, etc.

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The finest, freshest, shelled nuts in Maraschino syrup; adds the best possible flavor to fruit and vegetable salads

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## DAILY TIME TABLE

## BALTIMORE &amp; OHIO

GOING WEST		GOING EAST	
NO. Cincinnati		NO. Columbus	
105.....5:07 A. M*	102.....5:36 A. M	104.....10:36 A. M*	
101.....8:23 A. M*	103.....3:32 P. M*	108.....4:35 P. M*	
103.....6:14 P. M*	107.....11:06 P. M*	106.....11:06 P. M*	

## PENNSYLVANIA LINES

GOING WEST		GOING EAST	
NO. Cincinnati		NO. Zanesville	
21.....9:00 A. M.†	6.....9:45 A. M.†	34.....5:58 P. M.†	
19.....7:35 P. M.†	Cincinnati	Lancaster	
Sdy.....7:35 A. M.†		Sdy.....8:52 P. M.†	

## CINCINNATI, HAMILTON &amp; DAYTON

GOING NORTH		GOING SOUTH	
NO. Dayton		NO. Wellington	
55.....7:53 A. M	202.....9:38 A. M	55.....6:12 P. M.	
203.....3:57 P. M.†	Sdy.....9:23 A. M.†	Sdy.....9:38 A. M.†	
Sdy.....8:22 P. M.†		Sdy.....7:32 P. M.†	

## DETROIT, TOLEDO &amp; MONTGOMERY

GOING NORTH		GOING SOUTH	
NO. Springfield		NO. Greenfield	
2.....7:53 A. M.†	2.....9:50 A. M.	5.....8:00 P. M.	
2.....2:52 P. M.†	1		

\* Daily. † Daily except Sunday.

Classified advertising pays big.

## CLUB NEWS

The Daughters of the American Revolution are showing the patriotism of their ancestors in twentieth century form and putting into practice one of the most important outgrowths of club effort, civic improvements. To the club women of every state recognition is due for the part they have played in advancing moral reforms and in the bettering of civic conditions.

The Daughters of the Washington chapter have always been in special sympathy with this splendid work and at the December meeting held at the home of Mrs. E. F. Todhunter last night began a winter's campaign for Washington's benefit.

The initiative was taken in a motion to urge Mayor Smith to enforce the anti-spitting ordinance. For a long time placards calling attention to the fines imposed for the gratification of this disgusting habit caused quite a reformation in the cleanliness and sanitary condition of our streets. The putting up of these placards was the work of the D. A. R. and their past efforts will be succeeded by more vigorous ones in the future. There is no habit which so interferes with comfort and health as this very obnoxious one which is under the ban of the forbidden. The germs of disease are broadly disseminated from the thoughtless act which can be easily cured by the enforcing of the anti-spitting ordinance. Not many men will plunk down \$10.00 many times for the privilege of careless expectoration.

It is to be hoped that the Daughters will continue their activities for the benefit of the community and there is then no doubt that Mayor Smith will co-operate with them.

The December meeting was in more than one way out of the ordinary. Instead of the usual afternoon session it was an evening session in the nature of a Thanksgiving celebration.

Mrs. Todhunter extended the hospitalities of her home most cordially and was assisted by Mrs. Frank M. Kennedy, Mrs. John Morris, Mrs. Minnie Brown, Misses Corda McCafferty, Anna and Lizzie Bell, Ethel Pine, the afternoon's hostesses.

In the absence of Miss Florence Ogle, regent, Mrs. Frank L. Stutson, vice regent, presided and introduced the evening's business, its most important feature the motions to bring to Mayor Smith the need of enforcement of the anti-spitting ordinance.

The evening was delightfully social, enlivened with music and readings. Charming readings by Mrs. John McCadden (nee Miss Blanch Cockerill), were much enjoyed. Mrs. McCadden gave, "William Henry and the Smallpox Scare" and "Little Brown Baby".

Miss Lois Jones gave brilliant interpretation to Rubenstein's "Barcarole" and a waltz by Shutt. Miss Sylvia Snider played, "A Bunch of Roses", beautifully.

A dainty collation was served and the guests lingered beyond the usual time.

There were quite a number of invited guests and Mrs. Eva White Kah, of Sidney, an out-of-town guest who is also a non-resident member of the chapter.

## RAINEY PICTURES AT HARTMAN.

The day has come when we may sit comfortably in a theater and watch the wild animals of the African jungle disport themselves in their native haunts in a state of innocence as complete as was theirs in "The Garden of Allah". The Paul J. Rainey pictures are probably the most remarkable collection of motion pictures ever shown. Every kind of wild animal is here shown, their habits of life, and their haunts are here shown without any of the danger and inconvenience of a trip to Africa. The pictures have their comic side, too, for there are many amusing incident pictures which would indicate that the wild animals are not without a sense of humor. There are also many human touches to the meeting of different wild animals in the jungle, and at the water-hole which show that they recognize the obligations of family ties. Not only are these pictures interesting and amusing but educational as well and should not be missed by anyone. Rainey's African Hunt pictures will be seen at the Hartman theater, Columbus, December 8th, 9th, 10th and 11th.

## THE SUN AND THE EARTH.

The diameter of the sun is 865,000

miles. It would take 300,000 bodies like the earth to weigh as much as the sun. It has been calculated that the earth utilizes only the 2,000,000th part of the heat that is thrown off by the sun. The path followed by our planet in its course around the sun measures 583,000,000 miles, involving a speed on the earth's part, in order to make the journey on schedule time, of 18 miles a second, over 1,000 miles an hour, many times faster than the fastest express train, much faster, indeed, than a rifle bullet.

## FOR SALE.

Baby carriage, English perambulator, in good condition.

A. W. Evans, 372 Washington ave.

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FOR SALE—Violin, good one, at

a bargain. L. A. Barkimer. En-

quire at Christopher's Drug Store.

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household goods Wednesday and

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## FOR SALE—Some extra good sec-

ond-hand stoves from \$3.00 to \$10.

Bicycles and motorcycles. Supplies

for same. Sewing machine repairing

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Call and see me. Joe Bailey, Court

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## LOST AND FOUND.

Brass dust cap for wheel, either on Columbus ave-

Lewis street or Lewis pike.

Reward for return to Chas. H. Par-

rett at Herald Office.

## LOST—On Greenfield pike, pair

## President Taft's Message

(Continued from Page One.)

In the field of work toward the ideals of peace this government negotiated, but to my regret was unable to consummate, two arbitration treaties which set the highest mark of the aspiration of nations toward the substitution of arbitration and reason for war in the settlement of international disputes. Through the efforts of American diplomacy several wars have been prevented or ended. I refer to the successful tripartite mediation of the Argentine Republic, Brazil, and the United States between Peru and Ecuador, the bringing of the boundary dispute between Panama and Costa Rica to peaceful arbitration; the staying of warlike preparations when Haiti and the Dominican Republic were on the verge of hostilities; the stopping of a war in Nicaragua; the halting of internecine strife in Honduras.

The government of the United States was thanked for its influence toward the restoration of amicable relations between the Argentine Republic and Bolivia. The diplomacy of the United States is active in seeking to assure the remaining ill feeling between this country and the republic of Colombia. In the recent civil war in China the United States successfully joined with the other interested powers in urging an early cessation of hostilities. An agreement has been reached between the governments of Chile and Peru whereby the celebrated Tacna Arica dispute, which has so long embittered international relations on the west coast of South America, has at last been adjusted. Simultaneously came the news that the boundary dispute between Peru and Ecuador had entered upon a stage of amicable settlement.

## China.

In China the policy of encouraging financial investment to enable that country to help itself has had the result of giving new life and practical application to the open door policy. The consistent purpose of the present administration has been to encourage the use of American capital in the development of China by the promotion of those essential reforms to which China is pledged by treaties with the United States and other powers.

The hypothecation to foreign bankers in connection with certain industrial enterprises, such as the Hukuang railroads, of the national revenues upon which these reforms depended, led the department of state early in the administration to demand for American citizens participation in such enterprises, in order that the United States might have equal rights and an equal voice in all questions pertaining to the disposition of the public revenues concerned.

The same policy of promoting international accord among the powers having similar treaty rights as ourselves in the matters of reform, which could not be put into practical effect without the common consent of all, was likewise adopted in the case of the loan desired by China for the reform of its currency. The principle of international co-operation in matters of common interest upon which our policy had already been based in all of the above instances has admittedly been a great factor in that concert of the powers which has been so happily conspicuous during the perilous period of transition through which the great Chinese nation has been passing.

## Central America Needs Our Help in Debt Adjustment.

In Central America the aim has been to help such countries as Nicaragua and Honduras to help themselves. They are the immediate beneficiaries. The national benefit to the United States is twofold. First, it is obvious that the Monroe doctrine is more vital in the neighborhood of the Panama canal and the zone of the Caribbean than anywhere else. There, too, the maintenance of that doctrine falls most heavily upon the United States. It is therefore essential that the countries within that sphere shall be removed from the jeopardy involved by heavy foreign debt and chaotic national finances and from the ever present danger of international complications due to disorder at home.

Hence the United States has been glad to encourage and support American bankers who were willing to lend a helping hand to the financial rehabilitation of such countries because this financial rehabilitation and the protection of their custom houses from being the prey of would be dictators would remove at one stroke the menace of foreign creditors and the menace of revolutionary disorder.

## I wish to call your especial attention to the recent occurrences in Nicaragua, for I believe the terrible events recorded there during the revolution of the past summer—the useless loss of life, the devastation of property, the bombardment of defenseless cities, the killing and wounding of women and children, the torturing of noncombatants to exact contributions and the suffering of thousands of human beings—might have been averted had the department of state, through approval of the loan convention by the senate, been permitted to carry out its now well developed policy of encouraging the extending of financial aid to weak Central American states with the primary objects of avoiding just such revolutions by assisting those republics to rehabilitate their finances, to establish their currency on a stable basis, to remove the custom houses from the danger of revolutions by arranging for their secure administration, and to establish reliable banks.

I wish to congratulate the officers and men of the United States navy and marine corps who took part in re-establishing order in Nicaragua upon their

splendid conduct and to record with sorrow the death of seven American marines and bluejackets. Since the re-establishment of peace and order elections have been held amid conditions of quiet and tranquillity. Nearly all the American marines have now been withdrawn.

## Our Mexican Policy.

For two years revolution and counter revolution have distraught the neighboring republic of Mexico. Brigandage has involved a great deal of depredation upon foreign interests. There have constantly recurred questions of extreme delicacy. On several occasions very difficult situations have arisen on our frontier. Throughout this trying period the policy of the United States has been one of patient nonintervention, steadfast recognition of constituted authority in the neighboring nation and the exertion of every effort to care for American interests. I profoundly hope that the Mexican nation may soon resume the path of order, prosperity and progress. To that nation in its sore troubles the sympathetic friendship of the United States has been demonstrated to a high degree.

There were in Mexico at the beginning of the revolution some 30,000 or 40,000 American citizens engaged in enterprises contributing greatly to the prosperity of that republic and also benefiting the important trade between the two countries. The investments of American capital in Mexico has been estimated at \$1,000,000,000. The responsibility of endeavoring to safeguard those interests and the dangers inseparable from profligacy to so turbulent a situation have been great, but I am happy to have been able to adhere to the policy above outlined—a policy which I hope may soon be justified by the complete success of the Mexican people in regaining the blessings of peace and good order.

## Agricultural Credits.

A most important work accomplished in the past year by the American diplomatic officers in Europe is the investigation of the agricultural credit system in the European countries. Both as a means to afford relief to the consumers of this country through a more thorough development of agricultural resources and as a means of more sufficiently maintaining the agricultural population, the project to establish credit facilities for the farmers is a concern of vital importance to this nation.

No evidence of prosperity among well established farmers should blind us to the fact that lack of capital is preventing a development of the nation's agricultural resources and an adequate increase of the land under cultivation; that agricultural production is fast failing behind the increase in population and that, in fact, although these well established farmers are maintained in increasing prosperity because of the natural increase in population, we are not developing the industry of agriculture.

## Advantage of Maximum and Minimum Tariff Provision.

The importance which our manufacturers have assumed in the commerce of the world in competition with the manufacturers of other countries again draws attention to the duty of this government to use its utmost endeavors to secure impartial treatment for American products in all markets.

Healthy commercial rivalry in international intercourse is best assured by the possession of proper means for protecting and promoting our foreign trade. It is natural that competitive countries should view with some concern this steady expansion of our commerce. If in some instances the measures taken by them to meet it are not entirely equitable a remedy should be found.

In former messages I have described the negotiations of the department of state with foreign governments for the adjustment of the maximum and minimum tariff as provided in section 2 of the tariff law of 1909. The advantages secured by the adjustment of our trade relations under this law have continued during the last year, and some additional cases of discriminatory treatment of which we had reason to complain have been removed. The department of state has for the first time in the history of this country obtained substantial most-favored-nation treatment from all the countries of the world.

There are, however, other instances which, while apparently not constituting undue discrimination in the sense of section 2, are nevertheless exceptions to the complete equity of tariff treatment for American products that the department of state consistently has sought to obtain for American commerce abroad.

## Necessity For Supplementary Legislation.

These developments confirm the opinion conveyed to you in my annual message of 1911, that while the maximum and minimum provision of the tariff law of 1909 has been fully justified by the success achieved in removing previously existing undue discriminations against American products, yet experience has shown that this feature of the law should be amended in such way as to provide a fully effective means of meeting the varying degrees of discriminatory treatment of American commerce in foreign countries still encountered, as well as to protect against injurious treatment on the part of foreign governments through either legislative or administrative measures.

Europe and the Near East.

The war between Italy and Turkey came to a close in October last by the signature of a treaty of peace, subsequently to which the Ottoman empire renounced sovereignty over Cyrenaica and Tripoli in favor of Italy. During the past year the near east has unfortunately been the theater of constant hostilities. Almost simultaneously with the conclusion of peace between Italy and Turkey and their arrival at an adjustment of the complex questions at issue between them, war broke out between Turkey on the one hand and Bulgaria, Greece, Montenegro and Serbia on the other.

In the exercise of my duty in the

brief, to enable the executive to apply, as the case may require, to any or all commodities, whether or not on the free list from a country which discriminates against the United States, a graduated scale of duties up to the maximum of 25 per cent ad valorem provided in the present law.

Flat tariffs are out of date. Nations no longer accord equal tariff treatment to all other nations irrespective of the treatment from them received. Such a flexible power at the command of the executive would serve to moderate any unfavorable tendencies on the part of those countries from which the imports into the United States are substantially confined to articles on the free list as well as of the countries which find a lucrative market in the United States for their products under existing custom rates. It is very necessary that the American government should be equipped with weapons of negotiation adopted to modern economic conditions in order that we may at all times be in a position to gain not only technically just but actually equitable treatment for our trade and also for American enterprises and vested interests abroad.

**Business Secured to Our Country by Direct Official Effort.**

As illustrating the commercial benefits to the nation derived from the new diplomacy and its effectiveness upon the material as well as the more ideal side, it may be remarked that through direct official efforts alone there have been obtained in the course of this administration contracts from foreign governments involving an expenditure of \$50,000,000 in the factories of the United States.

It is germane to these observations to remark that in the two years that have elapsed since the successful negotiation of our new treaty with Japan, which at the time seemed to present so many practical difficulties, our export trade to that country has increased at the rate of over \$1,000,000 a month. Our exports to Japan for the year ended June 30, 1910, were \$21,959,316, while for the year ended June 30, 1912, the exports were \$53,478,046, a net increase in the sale of American products of nearly 150 per cent.

The act adopted at the last session of congress to give effect to the final convention of July 7, 1911, between Great Britain, Japan, Russia and the United States provided for the suspension of all land killing of seals on the Pribilof Islands for a period of five years, and an objection has now been presented to this provision by the other parties in interest, which raises the issue as to whether or not this prohibition of land killing is inconsistent with the spirit if not the letter of the treaty stipulations. The justification for establishing this close season depends, under the terms of the convention, upon how far if at all it is necessary for protecting and preserving the American fur seal herd and for increasing its number. This is a question requiring examination of the present condition of the herd and the treatment which needs in the light of actual experience and scientific investigation.

## Final Settlement of North Atlantic Fisheries Dispute.

On the 20th of July last an agreement was concluded between the United States and Great Britain adopting, with certain modifications, the rules and method of procedure recommended in the award rendered by the North Atlantic coast fisheries arbitration tribunal on Sept. 7, 1910, for the settlement hereafter, in accordance with the principles laid down in the award, of questions arising with reference to the exercise of the American fishing liberties under Article I of the treaty of Oct. 20, 1818, between the United States and Great Britain. This agreement received the approval of the senate on Aug. 1 and was formally ratified by the two governments on Nov. 15 last.

## Opium Conference—Unfortunate Failure of Our Government.

In my message on foreign relations communicated to the two houses of congress Dec. 7, 1911, I called special attention to the assembling of the opium conference at The Hague, to the fact that that conference was to review all pertinent municipal laws relating to the opium and allied evils and certainly all international rules regarding these evils, and to the fact that it seemed to me most essential that the congress should take immediate action on the anti-narcotic legislation before the congress, to which I had previously called attention by a special message.

The congress at its present session should enact into law those bills now before it which have been so carefully drawn up in collaboration between the department of state and the other executive departments and which have behind them not only the moral sentiment of the country, but the practical support of all the legitimate trade interests likely to be affected. Since the international convention was signed adherence to it has been made by several European states not represented at the conference of The Hague and also by seventeen Latin-American republics.

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matter I have dispatched to Turkish waters a special service squadron, consisting of two armored cruisers, in order that this government may if need be bear its part in such measures as it may be necessary for the interested nations to adopt for the safeguarding of foreign lives and property in the Ottoman empire in the event that a dangerous situation should develop.

**Liberia.**

As a result of the efforts of this government to place the government of Liberia in position to pay its outstanding indebtedness and to maintain a stable and efficient government, negotiations for a loan of \$1,700,000 have been successfully concluded, and it is anticipated that the payment of the old loan and the issuance of the bonds of the 1912 loan for the rehabilitation of the finances of Liberia will follow at an early date, when the new receivership will go into active operation. The new receivership will consist of a general receiver of customs designated by the government of the United States and three receivers of customs designated by the governments of Germany, France and Great Britain, which countries have commercial interests in the republic of Liberia.

**The Far East.**

The political disturbances in China in the autumn and winter of 1911-12 resulted in the abdication of the Manchu rulers on Feb. 12, followed by the formation of a provisional republican government empowered to conduct the affairs of the nation until a permanent government might be regularly established. The natural sympathy of the American people with the assumption of republican principles by the Chinese people was appropriately expressed in a concurrent resolution of congress on April 17, 1912.

A constituent assembly, composed of representatives duly chosen by the people of China in the elections that are now being held, has been called to meet in January next to adopt a permanent constitution and organize the government of the nascent republic. During the formative constitutional stage and pending definite action by the assembly, as expressive of the popular will, and the hope for establishment of a stable republican form of government capable of fulfilling its international obligations, the United States is, according to precedent, maintaining full and friendly de facto relations with the provisional government.

The new condition of affairs thus created has presented many serious and complicated problems, both of internal rehabilitation and of international relations, whose solution it was realized would necessarily require much time and patience. From the beginning of the upheaval last autumn it was felt by the United States, in common with the other powers having

large interests in China, that independent action by the foreign governments in their own individual interests would add further confusion to a situation already complicated. A policy of international co-operation was accordingly adopted in an understanding, reached early in the disturbances, to act together for the protection of the lives and property of foreigners if menaced, to maintain an attitude of strict impartiality as between the contending factions and to abstain from any endeavor to influence the Chinese in their organization of a new form of government.

It was further mutually agreed, in the hope of hastening an end to hostilities, that none of the interested powers would approve the making of loans by its nationals to either side. As soon, however, as a united provisional government of China was assured, the United States joined in a favorable consideration of that government's request for advances needed for immediate administrative necessities and later for a loan to effect a permanent national reorganization. The interested governments had already, by common consent, adopted, in respect to the purposes, expenditure and security of any loans to China made by their nationals, certain conditions which were held to be essential, not only to secure reasonable protection for the foreign investors, but also to safeguard and strengthen China's credit by discouraging indiscriminate borrowing and by insuring the application of the funds toward the establishment of the stable and effective government necessary to China's welfare.

In June last representative banking groups of the United States, France, Germany, Great Britain, Japan and Russia formulated, with the general sanction of their respective governments, the guarantees that would be expected in relation to the expenditure and security of the large reorganization loan desired by China, which, however, have thus far proved unacceptable to the provisional government.

## The Cuban Situation.

The republic of Cuba last May was in the throes of a lawless uprising that for a time threatened the destruction of a great deal of valuable property—much of it owned by Americans and other foreigners—as well as the existence of the government itself. The armed force of Cuba being inadequate to guard property from attack and at the same time properly to operate against the rebels, a force of American marines was dispatched from our naval station at Guantanamo into the province of Oriente for the protection of American and other foreign life and property.

The Cuban government was thus able to use all its forces in putting down the outbreak, which it succeeded in doing in a period of six weeks. The presence of two American warships in the harbor

of Havana during the most critical period of this disturbance contributed in great measure to allay the fears of the inhabitants, including a large foreign colony.

## Necessity For Retention and Expansion of Our Foreign Trade.

It is not possible to make to the congress a communication upon the present foreign relations of the United States so detailed as to convey an adequate impression of the enormous increase in the importance and activities of those relations. If this government is really to preserve to the American people that free opportunity in foreign markets which will soon be indispensable to our prosperity, even greater efforts must be made.

## Conclusion.

Congress should fully realize the conditions which obtain in the world as we find ourselves at the threshold of our middle age as a nation. We have emerged full grown as a peer in the great concourse of nations. We have passed through various formative periods. We have been self centered in the struggle to develop our domestic questions. The nation is now too mature to continue in its foreign relations those temporary expedients natural to a people to whom domestic affairs are the sole concern.

In the past our diplomacy has often consisted, in normal times, in a mere assertion of the right to international existence. We are now in a larger relation with broader rights of our own and obligations to others than ourselves. A number of great guiding principles were laid down early in the history of this government. The recent task of our diplomacy has been to adjust those principles to the conditions of today, to develop their corollaries, to find practical applications of the old principles expanded to meet new situations.

The opening of the Panama canal will mark a new era in our international life and create new and worldwide conditions which, with their vast correlations and consequences, will obtain for hundreds of years to come. We must not wait for events to overtake us unawares. With continuity of purpose we must deal with the problems of our external relations by a diplomacy modern, resourceful, magnanimous and fittingly expressive of the high ideals of a great nation.

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The White House, Dec. 3, 1912.

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